(c) whether there is any plan to connect this port with BG line;

(d) if so, by when it is likely to be taken and completed; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) It is already connected by BG line.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

Appointment of Chairman of Railway Recruitment Board

450. SHRI O.P. KOHLI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that one of the present Chairman of the Railway Recruitment Board has been recruited after interviews by the Union Public Service Commission but have been appointed under the discretionary power of the Railway Minister;

(b) whether it is also a fact that such Railway Recruitment Board's Chairman can be appointed by the Minister for a maximum period of six months; and

(c) if so, the reasons for some of such Railway Recruitment Board's Chairman being given extension for further six months?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Pending availability of regularly selected candidates through UPSC, vacancies of the posts of Chairman of Railway Recruitment Boards are filled up on adhoc basis either by Railway officers or by candidates who fulfill the eligibility criteria laid down for the same. Extension of such adhoc arrangement is given on a case to case basis. Keeping administrative exigencies in view and the likely time expected to be taken for filling up the post on a regular basis.

Incomplete Railway Projects

451. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Railway projects costing more than Rs. 100 cores that have not been completed as per their targeted time schedule alongwith the details of the targeted completion time of each of these projects;

(b) the details of the cost overrun in respect of the projects running behind their respective targeted time schedule. project-wise; and

(c) the details of the present position of the said projects?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN):